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CAPITAL INVESTEMTN SUBSIDY FOR COLD STORAGE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had approved a scheme to provide capital investment subsidy for construction/expansion/modernisation of cold storage facility for implementation during 1999-2002 of the Ninth Five Year Plan with an outlay of Rs.175 crores on the recommendations of the High Level Expert Committee;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total funds of the total plan outlay disbursed/utilized, State-wise;

(d) whether some State Governments have not utilized the allocated funds so far;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(f) whether some States have demanded excess amount in addition to already allocated under the scheme; and

(g) if so, the details thereof and the action taken/being taken by the Government on the demands of the State?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to c) : The High Level Expert Committee (HLEC) constituted by the Government of India for identifying the constraints and suggesting remedial measures has identified the creation/expansion of 12 lakh tonnes and rehabilitation/modernisation of 8 lakh tonnes of cold storage capacity and addition of 4.5 lakh tonnes of onion storage capacity in the country during the Ninth Five Year Plan. On the recommendations of the HLEC, and in order to give thrust to the cold storage sector, the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation have introduced a scheme titled, `Capital Investment Subsidy Scheme for Construction/ Expansion/Modernisation of Cold Storages and Storages for Horticulture Produce` with an outlay of Rs.175.00 crores during the Ninth Five Year Plan from April, 1999 to March, 2002. Under the scheme, financial assistance is provided in the form of back-ended capital investment subsidy by the National Horticulture Board (NHB), an autonomous body under the Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, @ 25% of the project cost not exceeding Rs.50.00 lakhs per project and @ 33.33% of the project cost up to a ceiling of Rs.60.00 lakhs per project for North Eastern States through National Bank for Agriculture & Rural Development (NABARD) and National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) in case of projects involving loan. In case of projects fully funded by entrepreneurs from his own resources, subsidy is directly released by NHB. The eligible organisations under the scheme includes NGOs, Association of Growers, Partnership/Proprietary Firms, Companies, Corporations, Cooperatives, Agricultural Produce Marketing Committees, Marketing Boards/Committees and Agro Industries Corporations. `Individuals` is also eligible for onion storage only in those cases where bank/financial institution financing is involved under the scheme. The scheme is demand based and the project proposal is to come from the eligible organisations.

Under the scheme, details of cold storage projects sanctioned and funds disbursed/utilised, State- wise, as on 31.3.2002 are given in the Annexure.

(d) to g) : The scheme do not envisage allocation of funds to the State Governments.

ANNEXURE

DETAILS OF COLD STORAGE PROJECTS SANCTIONED, STATE-WISE, UNDER THE SCHEME `CAPITAL INVESTMENT SUBSIDY SCHEME FOR CONSTRUCTION/ EXPANSION/ MODERNISATION OF COLD STORAGES AND STORAGES FOR HORTICULTURE PRODUCE` AS ON 31.3.2002

(Rs. in lakhs)

S.No.	Name of State/ UTs	Total no.of projects	Total capacity (MT)	Total eligible subsidy
1.	Andhra Pradesh	27	145310	1122.771
2.	Assam	8	38400	402.286
3.	Bihar	22	96923	634.883
4.	Chhatisgarh	12	74480	393.378
5.	Delhi	5	13860	325.990
6.	Gujarat	42	113226	1029.735
7	Haryana	25	91131	765.451
8.	Himachal Pra	2	2392	14.790
9.	Jharkhand	1	5000	48.858
10.	Kerala	2	500	5.000
11.	Karnataka	15	63209	505.344
12.	Madhya Pradesh	30	127446	777.642
13.	Maharashtra	25	84481	753.100
14.	Orissa	6	26064	215.788
15.	Punjab	33	109239	835.779
16.	Rajasthan	27	117389	828.550
17.	Tamil Nadu	19	57837	529.028
18.	Tripura	1	3000	40.000
19.	Uttaranchal	1	4607	32.407
20.	Uttar Pradesh	178	1101544	5380.077
21.	West Bengal	28	83340	593.420
	TOTAL	509	2359378	15234.277